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I think enough time and money has been spent on this suit. As a taxpayer I have certainly not received any benefit from it. On the other hand, as a consumer, Microsoft has been of great benefit to me and to my elderly Dad. After my Mother died he was pretty lost, but having a computer and being able to access so easily so many things - he shops on line - and can e-mail family and friends out of state, has made a big difference in his life and in his children' and grandchildren's. The settlement has been reached and I think that the various states attorneys general still whining, like the one from Massachusetts, are just making political hay. Microsoft has been a boon to a great many people. If we are going to start chasing successfull businesses because they have deep pockets, then I think the role of the government is being perverted. Let the settlement stand. Enough already.

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